

# THE UPDATE

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# METROPOLITAN POLICE

## North Area BCU Commander Update



Dear Partner,



Last week saw much social media coverage around concerns about possible child abductions taking place in Enfield. Whilst I fully understand the concerns and fears many parents and residents had, the intense speculation was not helpful and in this newsletter I have therefore reissued the public statement I made last Friday to confirm that I do not believe any offences of child abduction have occurred. I hope that this will provide reassurance to our local communities and residents.

Yesterday marked the anniversary of the murder of George Floyd in America and I recognise the significance of the anniversary, both to our communities and to our own police officers and staff. To demonstrate our commitment to this, here in the Met we launched a dedicated team called the Deputy Commissioner's Delivery Group (DCDG) to lead and bring together the Met's efforts to support, challenge and where necessary, accelerate change in our commitment to improve the experiences of Black communities - both the public and Met employees. As an example of this work, we are in the process of rolling out our Police Encounter Panel, which provides a mechanism for community members to scrutinise the use of police powers and for learning to be captured, shared and actioned. We have also commenced a localised comprehensive stop and search improvement plan that seeks to understand lived experiences of stop and search and ensure that every encounter with police is a positive one.

Finally, our thoughts and deepest sympathies here at North Area lie with the family and friends of Chad Gordon following the conviction this week of two men for his brutal murder last year. Please stay safe and let's look after one another. Kind regards, Treena

### Link: BCU Commander statement regarding child abduction fears

On the topic of allegations of child abductions in Enfield, Det Ch Supt Treena Fleming said:

"I fully understand the concerns from parents and residents in Enfield following reports of a suspicious incident on 15 May in the Enfield Lock area involving a white van and then a separate incident on 18 May whereby a 10-year-old boy was reported missing. Please be reassured that extensive enquiries have been conducted and at this time I do not believe that any offences of child abduction have been committed on either occasion.

"Thankfully, incidents of child abduction are very rare, but when allegations relating to public safety are received they are taken very seriously indeed. There has been a great deal of coverage on social media around these two incidents and whilst I understand the need to be updated on such important matters, I would respectfully ask the local community to allow us the time and space to investigate. Please refrain from engaging in speculation that can unnecessarily increase the fear of crime and cause great upset amongst our communities.

"It is my public duty to protect our residents, and our officers work hard to do this on a daily basis. If I have concerns around public safety, please be reassured that I will make use of every means of communication available to me in order to make the community aware and keep them informed."

To stay up to date on local policing information follow @MPSEnfield. To contact police in an emergency dial 999 or call 101 in a non-emergency situation. To provide information about crime without giving your name please call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit [crimestoppers\\_uk.org](https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org).

### Two men convicted for the murder of Chad Gordon



**Two men have been convicted for the murder of a man who was shot and killed on his own doorstep in Finsbury Park.**

Chad Gordon, 27, was shot as he opened the door to his address in Wiltshire Gardens, N4 on the evening of 18 May 2020. He was the victim of mistaken identity in an escalating feud between two local groups.

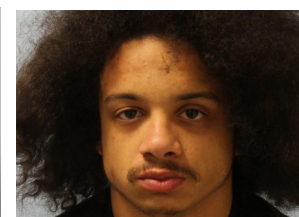
At the Old Bailey on Tuesday, 25 May two men were convicted as follows:

- Mason Sani-Semedo, 19 (05.09.01) of West Green Road, Tottenham was found guilty of murder and possession of a firearm with intent to endanger life.
- Cameron Robinson, 20 (09.08.00) of Rainham Road South, Dagenham was found guilty of murder and possession of a firearm with intent to endanger life.

**Chad's mother, Ann Marie Wilson, said:** "At 8:25pm I received the worst phone call that any parent dreads, to say that something beyond my imagination has happened to my child. He had been shot. I prayed to the almighty God for him to be ok but my prayer was not to be answered. At 9:20pm the earth shattering phone call came, a conversation with my little sister I will never forget, "I'm so sorry Sis, but he didn't make it".

"The numbness spread all over me. My world shattered, my heart broke into tiny pieces and cannot be mended. Chad was my world, my everything, but most of all my first born and he was no more. Our lives have been ruined. He will not be around to enjoy and participate in the merriment, jovial and frivolity of these occasions, all his birthdays and family celebrations. The chance to see Chad having a family of his own and a promising future has been taken away from us.

LINK: <https://news.met.police.uk/news/two-men-convicted-for-murder-of-chad-gordon-427687>



### VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

We are absolutely committed to tackling violence against women and girls.

Every day we are working closely with our partners to deliver a safe environment so that women and girls can go about their daily business without fear of becoming victims of crime.

We know that violence against women and girls can have a devastating and lasting impact on communities and has no place in our society.

Reassurance patrols were increased in public spaces, with officers taking the opportunity to speak to communities about what we are doing.



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## Haringey moped rider jailed after repeatedly exposing himself to women

A moped rider who repeatedly targeted and indecently exposed himself to lone women around the Haringey area has been jailed for 16 months.

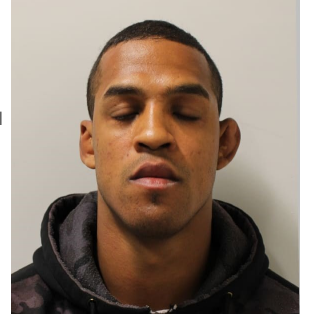
Jefferson Goncalves De Lima Da Silva, 29 (30.06.91) of Beresford Road, Haringey was sentenced to 16 months' imprisonment, concurrent on all charges, at Wood Green Crown Court on Monday, 17 May for nine counts of indecent exposure and two counts of sexual assault. He pleaded guilty to the above offences at the same court on Monday, 17 May. The court heard that between September 2019 to June 2020, Goncalves De Lima Da Silva targeted a number of women, predominantly in the Haringey area, but also across east London. Driving around on a moped in the evenings, Goncalves De Lima Da Silva would seek out women who he would then stop and ask for directions.

As the women stopped to offer assistance, Goncalves De Lima Da Silva, on eleven separate occasions, indecently exposed himself before driving off, leaving the victims in a state of shock. Some victims reported that Da Silva had masturbated and that he had laughed or smiled at their panicked reactions on several occasions.

On two separate occasions, Goncalves De Lima Da Silva sexually assaulted two women by inappropriately touching them, again using his moped as a means to quickly escape. Detectives from the Met's North Area Public Protection Unit launched an investigation and subsequently arrested Goncalves De Lima Da Silva on 27 June 2020 after CCTV analysis, witness accounts and vehicle registration checks linked him to the incidents. Da Silva is subject to notification requirements for 10 years and is to remain on licence for a further 12 months. He was also issued a Deprivation Order for his moped, under the s.153 Sentencing Act.

**Detective Superintendent Seb Adjei-Addoh, from the Met's North Area Public Protection Team, said:** "Goncalves De Lima Da Silva is a dangerous and predatory individual who targeted numerous lone females, walking in the evening on residential roads. I hope this sentence sends a clear message that such acts will not be tolerated. "Preventing and detecting sexual offences remains a top priority for the Metropolitan Police. We will work tirelessly to identify offenders and to get justice for victims of crime. I encourage anyone who has been a victim or witness to a sexual offence to contact police. Specially trained officers will provide advice and ongoing support.

LINK: <https://news.met.police.uk/news/haringey-moped-rider-jailed-after-repeatedly-exposing-himself-to-women-427574>



## Weapons Seized from Streets of Haringey

Reducing violent crime is our top priority. As a result of proactive policing our North Area Tasking Team stopped a male who was in possession of a knife. By telling someone what you know, you can save lives [#HardCallsSaveLives](#) [#OpSceptre](#) [#VSU](#)

Hard calls Save Lives, Report Anonymously via Crimestoppers. <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/campaigns-media/campaigns/reporting-knife-crime>



## Knife and Gang awareness by NA Safer Schools Officers

PC Charlotte and PC Graham delivered a very informative presentation to year 5 students about gang and knife awareness. A great session with amazing questions from the children. We look forward to returning again in the future.



## Teenager involved in two burglaries of elderly residents in ENFIELD jailed



A man who was involved in two aggravated burglaries in north London in which elderly residents were threatened with screwdrivers has been jailed.

Michael Maughan, 18 (5.08.02) of Great Cambridge Road, Enfield was sentenced at Wood Green Crown Court on Friday, 14 May to a total of eight years' imprisonment. Maughan had been convicted in his absence on Friday, 5 March of two counts of aggravated burglary, one count of aggravated vehicle taking and one count of possession of an offensive weapon.

"Maughan tried to evade justice by absconding during his trial, however, we were able to track his movements and bring him back before the court. Today, he is beginning a lengthy prison sentence which is rightly deserved."

On 28 February 2020, two men knocked on the door of a house, belonging to an elderly couple, in Hermitage Road in Haringey. The 83-year-old woman answered the door and was pushed out of the way by the men, both carrying screwdrivers. They demanded property and tried to pull the woman's rings from her fingers. One of the suspects then removed the 79-year-old man's pyjama top before smearing fabric conditioner on his chest, causing a burning sensation. The men left with a small amount of jewellery.

Later that morning, two men smashed their way through a patio door whilst their 84-year-old victim cowered inside her home on Wilbury Way in Edmonton. The woman was captured on her home surveillance system trying to flee from the two men, and her screams were recorded as they caught up with her.

She was threatened with a large screwdriver as the suspects demanded money before carrying out an untidy search of the home. After the suspects left with a few collectible coins, the woman was able to alert a neighbour who called police. Detectives launched an investigation into this offence and it was quickly established that the suspects had been involved in the earlier burglary.

**Detective Constable John McGranahan, who led the investigation, said:** "Maughan, and his accomplices, terrified their elderly victims in their own homes, a place they should have felt safe. "The level of violence used was truly shocking, and I cannot even imagine what must have been going through their victims' minds. To target the vulnerable is abhorrent; he has stolen their property and their independence."Maughan tried to evade justice by absconding during his trial, however, we were able to track his movements and bring him back before the court. Today, he is beginning a lengthy prison sentence which is rightly deserved."

Anyone with information is asked to contact police via 101 quoting reference Cad 2823/28Feb20. Alternatively, call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. LINK: <https://news.met.police.uk/news/teenager-involved-in-two-burglaries-of-elderly-residents-in-north-london-jailed-427319>